

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BUENOS 05702 011737Z

61

ACTION ARA-20

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-11 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-03 SS-20

USIA-15 AID-20 PC-10 CU-05 OPR-02 SY-04 NIC-01 DRC-01

/139 W

----- 067245

R 011614Z AUG 74

FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7262

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BUENOS AIRES 5702

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, AR

SUBJECT: TENSION RISES AT UNIVERSITY

REF BA 5530

1. SUMMARY. THE SEARCH FOR A PERMANENT REPLACEMENT FOR VINCENTE SOLANO LIMA HAS RAISED THE LEVEL OF TENSION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES CONSIDERABLY AS A CANDIDATE ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES PROVES TO BE VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND. END SUMMARY

2. WHEN EDUCATION MINISTER TAIANA ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATION OF VINCENTE SOLANO LIMA AS RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES (UBA) ON JULY 25, HE WAS REPORTED BY THE PRESS TO HAVE RECOMMENDED TO MRS PERON THAT INTERIM RECTOR RAUL LAGUZZI BE PLACED PERMANENTLY IN THE POSITION. TIANA NOW MAINTAINS THAT THIS WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING AND THAT LAGUZZI WAS NAMED TO FILL THE SLOT ONLY UNTIL A PERMANENT "NORMALIZING" RECTOR CAN BE FOUND.

3. RUMORS ARE CIRCULATING TO THE EFFECT THAT AN ALLY OF LOPEZ REGA OR SOMEONE EQUALLY UNACCEPTABLE TO THE STUDENTS WILL BE PICKED TO SUCCEED LIMA. FOR THIS REASON, THE UBA STUDENT FEDERATION (FULNBA), WHICH IS A COORDINATING BODY OF STUDENT

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BUENOS 05702 011737Z

GROUPS CONTROLLED BY LEFTIST PERONIST YOUTH (JUP),

ALFONSINISTAS (FRANJA MORADA) AND COMMUNISTS (MOR), HAS ORDERED A STATE OF ALERT. THEY INTEND TO PUSH FOR LAGUZZI AND WILL OPPOSE ANYONE WHOM THEY CONSIDER IDEOLOGICALLY UNFIT.

4. COMMENT. THIS SITUATION COULD LEAD TO A MAJOR CONFRONTATION BETWEEN MRS PERON AND THE UNIVERSITY ACTIVISTS. THE UNIVERSITY HAS BEEN ONE OF THE STRONGHOLDS OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT FORCES AND IS LIKELY TO BE EVEN MORE VOCAL IN ITS OPPOSITION NOW THAT PERON IS GONE. TROUBLE HAS THUS FAR BEEN AVOIDED BY THE GOA'S HANDS-OFF POLICY. LIMA WAS ONE OF THE VERY FEW MEN ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES. WITH HIS DEPARTURE, THE PROBLEM OF FINDING A NEW RECTOR AROSE. LAGUZZI WAS APPARENTLY TOO FAR TO THE LEFT EVEN FOR TAIANA TO SUPPORT. LAGUZZI IS WELL IDENTIFIED WITH THE LEFTIST PERONIST YOUTH AND IS EVEN REPORTED TO BE A MONTONERO. AN ALLY OF LOPEZ REGA, OR SOMEONE OF A SIMILAR VEIN, WOULD BE TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE TO THE CAMPUS ACTIVISTS SINCE SUCH A PERSON WOULD IMMEDIATELY BEGIN TO UNDERMINE THEIR POSITION AND THEY KNOW IT.

5. IF THE GOA DOES DECIDE TO CONTINUE TO AVOID THE PROBLEM BY NOT CHANGING PRESENT UNIVERSITY POLICIES, A COMPROMISE CANDIDATE WILL BE NECESSARY NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT TO FIND. IF THE GOVERNMENT DECIDES IT IS TIME TO CHANGE POLICIES, IT WILL FACE MASSIVE AND VOCAL STUDENT OPPOSITION. SUCH A POLICY CHANGE, IF TRIED, WOULD ALSO MOST LIKELY BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW MINISTER OF EDUCATION.  
HILL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PRESS COMMENTS, POLICIES, POLITICAL SITUATION, POLITICAL LEADERS, PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS, UNIVERSITIES, OPPOSITION PARTIES, PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 01 AUG 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** boyleja  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974BUENOS05702  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740211-0626  
**From:** BUENOS AIRES  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740883/aaaactmm.tel  
**Line Count:** 88  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION ARA  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** BA 5530  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** boyleja  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 05 SEP 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <05 SEP 2002 by WorreISW>; APPROVED <20 FEB 2003 by boyleja>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** TENSION RISES AT UNIVERSITY  
**TAGS:** PINT, AR, (SOLANO LIMA, VICENTE), (LAGUZZI, RAUL), (PERON)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005